

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: 10/22/2002

Reference No.: CR-68-2002

Proposer: Scott

Draft No.: 2

Sponsors: Scott

Item Title: A Resolution establishing the Vicious Animal Legislation Task Force to evaluate the effectiveness of existing Legislative and administrative regulations concerning Vicious animals and to advise the County on Improvements and amendments

Drafter: Ralph E. Grutzmacher
Legislative Officer

Resource Betsy Burian
Personnel: Legislative Aide

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: ___/___/___

Executive Action: ___/___/___

Committee Referral: 10/7/2002 C.O.W.

Effective Date: ___/___/___

Committee Action: 10/16/2002 FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 10/7/2002

Public Hearing: ___/___/___ :__ __

Council Action: 10/22/2002 ADOPTED

Council Votes: PS:A, DB:A, TD:A, JE:A, TH:A, TK:A; RVR:A, AS:A, MW:A

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks: _____

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

DATE: 10/17/02

Committee Vote: Favorable with amendments, 6-0 (In favor: Council Members Wilson, Scott, Hendershot, Knotts, Shapiro and Estepp)

The County Council has passed vicious animal legislation in 1985 and pit bull terrier legislation in 1996. The purpose of CR-68-2002 is to compile information to measure the effectiveness of the vicious animal and pit bull terrier legislation in reducing the number of attacks and the severity of injuries by dogs.

CR-68-2002 was amended in Committee to include the Health Officer or his designee and a representative from the Dog Federation.

The report is due to the Council by February 28, 2003.

The Office of Audits and Investigations has determined that there should not be any negative fiscal impact on the County as a result of adopting CR-68-2002.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

The legislation proposes to establish the Vicious Animal Legislation Task Force to evaluate the effectiveness of existing legislative and administrative regulations concerning vicious animals and to advise the County on improvements and amendments.

CODE INDEX TOPICS: